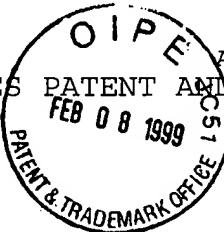


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to examiner's action mailed October 1, 1998, be extended for one month to and including February 1, 1999.

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